GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4649
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2002
FOREIGN TOURS BY MANAGING DIRECTORS
RAM MURTI SINGH VERMA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the foreign countries visited and the period of stay by the Managing Directors of various PublicSector Undertakings under the Ministry of Railways during the last three years;

(b) the amount of foreign exchange paid to them by the Public Sector Undertakings both in cash and travellers cheques;

(c) the details of travellers cheques not presented for cash;

(d) the reasons for not recovering the public money saved and misused by those Managing Directors for themselves; and

(e) the steps taken to recover the amount saved by the Managing Directors?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (e): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4649 BY SHRI RAM MURTI SINGH VERMA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 19.12.2002 REGARDING FOREIGN TOURS BY MANAGING DIRECTORS

(a)&(b): The details of the foreign countries visited abroad and the period of stay by the Managing Directors during last three years i.e. w.e.f. 01.04.1999 to 31.03.2002 are given below:

Name of PSUs	Name of countries foreign	Period of stay	Amount of exchange paid
IRCON International Ltd.	Bangladesh, Malaysia, Turkey, Syria and Iran	114 days	USD 23,550
RITES Ltd.	Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Singapore, Colombia, Jamaica, Bangladesh, Botswana, South Africa, Namibia, UAE, Sharjah, Algeria and Myanmar.	64 days	USD 22,060
Container Corporation of India Ltd.	Switzerland, Austria, Germany, USA, Hongkong, Singapore, Holland, France and Iran	37 days	USD 15,250
Indian Railway Finance Corporation Ltd.	USA, Germany, Canada and UK	15 days	USD 4688.75

Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd.	UK, Malaysia, Iraq and Hongkong	43 days	USD 48,780
Mumbai Railway Vikas Corporation Ltd.	Thailand, Singapore and Malaysia	14 days	USD 4,300
Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation Ltd.	NIL	NIL	NIL
Railtel			
Corporation of India Ltd.	NIL	NIL	NIL

(c): Travelling Allowances are paid according to the Managing Directors fixed entitlement as per Govt. of India instructions. On return, Travelling Allowances bill is submitted by MDs giving the full details of tour undertaken. Any foreign exchange, which has not been utilised is refunded on return. Therefore, no outstanding amount is due recoverable from MDs.

(d)&(e): Does not arise in view of (c) above.